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A 43-year-old man was killed when a 1"x6"x10 foot piece of lumber was thrown from a trim saw.

The victim was performing his regular job, 45 feet away from the saw, when the lumber was ejected from the saw and struck the man in the chest. The employer was cited for no effective guarding.

Questions to ask?

- Do you know if all your machines properly guarded?
- Are the guards put back in place after routine and emergency maintenance and before work starts again?
- How many times have you allowed work to be performed with unguarded machines "while a new guard is being ordered" and "because our deadline is coming up?"